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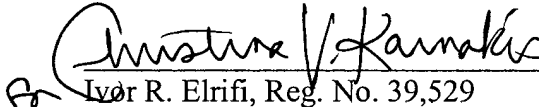
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed March 27, 2002, Applicants elect the invention of Group I, claims 1-4, 23-24, 29, 32, 35, and 42 drawn to isolated polypeptides and the therapeutic use of said polypeptides *in vivo*. Additionally, Applicants elect SEQ ID NO:2, without traverse. Applicants make these elections without prejudice to pursuing non-elected subject matter in later applications.

The response is due on or before April 29, 2002 (April 27, 2002 being a Saturday). Therefore no fees are believed to be due, however the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311 (Reference No. 15966-572).

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